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To

K. V. Anantaraman, Esq., B.A.,

Chief *Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,*
.....Bangalore..... ~~Bangalore~~

OFFICE OF THE SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 11 JUNE 1935 No 7876

SIR,

I have the honor to forward herewith for favour of information a copy of letter No.A5-3843/34-35 dated the 21st May 1935 received from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District in the matter of the unauthorised conversion of a dwelling house into a Masjid at Bhandigadi village, Koppa Taluk.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Muzrai

For Muzrai Commissioner.
(Absent on casual leave.)

1) Submitted for perusal of the Hon'ble Dewan in charge of the Chief Secretary's work.
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2) Submitted for perusal
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tter No.A5-3843/34-35 dated 21-5-35 from the Deputy Commissioner, Kadur District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Subject:- Unauthorised conversion of a dwelling house into a Masjid at Bhandigadi village, Koppa Taluk.

I have the honor to state that the Police Insoector, Koppa Taluk, made a report to the Amildar on 27-2-1934 that one Mohamed Hussain Sab, a resident of Bhandigadi village, was constructing a masjid from subscriptions raised from among the people of his community. The village patel also made a report on 25-4-1934 that a new house was being constructed by Mohamed Hussain Sab without a license and that in spite of instructions not to do so, he was proceeding with the construction. The statement of one Mohamed Usman, owner of the site who was also the Chairman of the Village Panchayet, was recorded on 27-4-1934 in the presence of the Amildar. He stated that the building under reference was meant for a dwelling house and not for a masjid, that no license was obtained for constructing it, that the site was purchased from one Mohamed Hussain and that the building would not be used as a Masjid As no license had been taken to build, the Amildar issued a notice to the party (Mohamed Usman) on 4-5-1934 to stop construction at once. He made an endorsement on it on 15-5-1934 that as the building had already been constructed, he would apply for a license subsequently. The matter was also separately under investigation by the Police on the petition of the Swami Bhandigadi Mutt. The District Superintendent of Police made a report in his letter No.Pet 228/33-34 dated 9-5-1934that Mohamed Hussain was not constructing a Masjid but a house for the use of his son-in-law.

The building was however used as a Masjid after completion. Mohamed Usman gave a statement on 14-3-1935 to the Revenue Inspector that the building was converted to a Masjid as a result of misunderstanding between himself and his son-in-law for whom the building was intended. There was trouble at Bhandigadi during the Sri Rama Navami celebrations on the last day of Moharam in connection with a procession passing with music in front of the new building. A copy of the report made to Government in this connection is enclosed. In this connection the records connected with the conversion of this house into a Masjid were called for from the Amildar. He reported through the Sub Division Officer, Tarikere, in his letter No.J.C.1 34-35 dated 4-5-1935 that the dwelling house was suddenly converted into a masjid and that the idea to so convert it was hidden throughout.

The Sub Division Officer, Tarikere, has in his Memo No.SI.1331-34 dat 7-5-1935 recommended that Mohamed Usman, Chairman of the Village Panchayo

should be removed from his office, that he might also be prosecuted for allowing the construction of the house without a license and that as the building unauthorisedly used as a Masjid is on the public road and would be a source of trouble its use as a masjid should not be permitted. It seems fair to infer from the circumstances of the case that the construction of the building was commenced from the hidden idea of converting it into a masjid when work had advanced. Not only has an attempt been made to have a masjid in this manner but also to prevent people passing with music in front of the building As sanction has not been obtained to the construction of a masjid and the Mohamedans of the place have obviously tried to get round Government Orders requiring that such sanction should be obtained I have forbidden the use of the building as a Masjid and asked the Amildar to see that it is not used as one and to take action that may be necessary against the persons concerned for building without license and for permitting building. The Amildar has also been instructed i need be to acquire the building for a public purpose and help the Mohamedans to build a Masjid on a site about which there will be no objection as in this case.

"C O P Y"

For Muzrai Commissioner.

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